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18 July 1968

DD/S&T Staff Meeting
Thursday, 18 July 68

Deputy Director:

1. Commented that he had asked [] to do some research on our contracting procedures. There seems to be some disturbing trend in our procedures in that some Project Officers may believe that our procurement authorities or practices are different from other agencies. Went on to explain that this is a misconception and the main reason we are able to accomplish our procurement actions as quickly as we do is that our operating techniques are different and not quite as bureaucratic as most other agencies.

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Reviewed various problems encountered in contracting and discussed deficiencies in our contracting procedures.

2. Discussed Agency personnel ceiling figures and explained that it could take up to a year before Agency figures are finalized.

3. Read a memo addressed to Heads of Federal Executive Departments and Agencies and signed by the President dealing with the Civil Rights Act of 1968.

4. Commented on a recent and highly productive luncheon/staff meeting with the DCI. A decision was made at the luncheon to put a scientist on the Board of National Estimates. Requested the Office chiefs to suggest possible candidates.

5. Commented on recent Congressional Hearing. Senator Mansfield is now a Committee invitee. Said that DCI did an outstanding job in answering Committee questions.

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1. Commented that as of now all slots have been filled in [] and must now wait for the results of the BALPA exercise.

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2. Commented that there was a potential flap with the [] contract on [] rating.

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3. Commented that he had briefed Bruce Clarke, [redacted] on the CORONA targeting program. [redacted] was quite impressed with the application of a computer on a going program and recommended that the Bureau of the Budget receive the same briefing.

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Briefly discussed desirability of asking [redacted] to change his itinerary for a visit to [redacted]

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Parangosky:

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Asked whether a briefing on the induced drag concept should be given to the S&T Panel next week. DD/S&T said that he thought it was a good idea.

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Discussed a DD/I decision taken on an OSR/ORD contract.

Passed to Office Directors their current position ceiling authorizations for FY-69 with the comment that they are subject to change again in the next week or two.

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